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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 in the United States Designated Elected Office dated December 8, 1999, which sets a one month period of response until January 10, 2000 (being that January 8, 2000 falls on a Saturday), Applicants note that the required English translation and processing fee were submitted on November 9, 1999.

As evidence of this submission, Applicants submit herewith a copy of the November 9, 1999 date-stamped mailroom receipt, which indicates that the verified translation of the International application (including 16 pages and 2 sheets of drawings) and a check in the amount of \$130.00 were received in U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Accordingly, Applicants request that a Notification of Acceptance be forwarded in

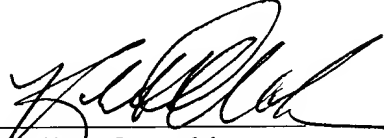
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due course.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed number.

Respectfully submitted,
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as

- ☐ a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494),
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- ☒ U.S. Basic National Fee.
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☐ Translation of the international application into English.

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☒ The International Preliminary Examination Report in English and its Annexes, if any.

☐ Translation of Annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report into English.

☐ Preliminary amendment(s) filed _____ and _____.

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2. The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- ☒ a. Translation of the application into English. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date.
☐ The current translation is defective for the reasons indicated on the attached Notice of Defective Translation.
- ☒ b. Processing fee for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).
- ☐ c. Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the international application number and international filing date.
☐ The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) for the reasons indicated on the attached PCT/DO/EO/917.
- ☐ d. Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).

3. Additional claim fees of \$ _____ as a ☐ large entity ☐ small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due (37 CFR 1.492(g)). See attached PTO-875.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH IN 2(a)-2(d) AND 3 ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN ONE MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY ☐ 21 OR ☒ 31 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

4. Translation of the Annexes **MUST** be submitted no later than the time period set above or the annexes will be cancelled. Note processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date.

5. ☐ The Article 19 amendments are cancelled since a translation was not provided by the appropriate 20 (37 CFR 1.494(d)) or 30 (37 CFR 1.495(d)) months from the priority date.

Applicant is reminded that any communication to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above. (37 CFR 1.5)

A copy of this notice *MUST* be returned with this response.

Enclosed: ☐ PCT/DO/EO/917

☐ PTO-875

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NOTICE OF DEFECTIVE TRANSLATION

The received translation is defective because:

- ☐ (1) The text in the drawings has not been properly translated;
- ☐ (2) The number of claims in the International Application and the number of claims in the translation are not the same;
- ☐ (3) The translation of the International Application is incomplete as a number of pages are missing;
- ☒ (4) Other. *The specification, claims and drawings are not translated.*

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